

Enjoys Flying Trip

H. B. Larkins, Coffee County's representative in the state Legislature, gave an interesting account of his trip to Los Angeles, Calif., where he attended a meeting of the California-Washington State Legislative committee on Un-American activities. Mr. Larkins represented Alabama, each state having one representative. He said an interesting session was held Monday at which a closely knit organization to fight communism and trouble makers on all fronts was organized. By this new unit, the fight against Communism will be waged from each state on a national scale.

Representative Larkins said it was brought out in Los Angeles that much emphasis should be put on this threat to our future security and this meeting was one method of fighting it. The National Committee will study legislation to curb subversive activities and will draft a model bill.

Mr. Larkins said he left Montgomery Sunday morning in a comparatively small plane, flying to Dallas, Texas. It was his first flight and it was a pretty rough ride. At Dallas he transferred to a giant airliner and he said the trip from there to Los Angeles was like riding in a modern railway pullman car—he could hardly tell he was moving. He made the entire return trip on a big airliner, which was one of the most enjoyable trips he ever took. He is now an ardent flying fan.

Rig Egg

In this year of big crops Coffee County hens are doing their part. D. P. Kelley, who lives near Bluff Springs brought in an egg that he found in his yard. The egg measured seven inches around the short way and nine and one-half inches the long way. It weighed six ounces. A few days later Mr. Kelley came by and told us that when he broke the shell he found another whole egg in its own shell inside the outer shell, making two eggs in one shell. Even at that they were large eggs since an ordinary egg weighs less than two ounces.

Magnificent Boat

J. V. Wright has received a 17 foot Deluxe Cria-Craft runabout from the factory at Cadillac, Michigan. It is equipped with a 35 horsepower motor and is a beautiful specimen of water craft. It will be used as a demonstrator by Mr. Wright, who is the dealer for the line.

Mr. and Mrs. Wright and the truck driver who brought the boat from Michigan went to Pensacola Monday, where the boat was launched. They tried it out and are enthusiastic in its praise.

Returns From  
Vets Hospital

Mr. Roy Bullard, who has been in the Veteran's hospital in Montgomery for the past several weeks, suffering from blood poisoning, returned home Sunday. Mr. Bullard was scratched and bitten by a cat about 2 months ago and serious complications developed. It is thought that he will have no further trouble.

Old Subscriber

When J. H. Brown renewed his subscription last Monday he remarked that he was one of the oldest subscribers to the Clipper. In fact, he said, he can't remember when he wasn't a subscriber. He says when the paper put on a subscription prize contest about 25 years ago, one of the contestants persuaded him to trade a mule for a ten year subscription. The mule was auctioned off for \$14.

BOX SUPPER

There will be a box supper at Zion Chapel on Wednesday night, October 13th at 7:30 P. M. The public is invited.

SINGING NOTICE

There will be a Class Choir Singing at the Damascus school the second Sunday in October. Every lover of good music is invited to attend.

D. J. Dye

Layman's Day To  
Be Observed At Elba  
Baptist Church Sun.

J. L. Vaughan Will  
Address Group At  
Morning Service

Layman's Day will be observed at the Elba Baptist church Sunday, October 10th at 11:00 A. M. A special program will be given by J. L. Vaughan, outstanding layman of Dothan, will deliver a special address appropriate to the occasion. There will also be special music.

Throughout Southern Baptist Convention territory, churches are observing these Layman's Day at this time. The purpose of the observance is to bring the attention of the entire church to focus upon the great service which is being rendered by its men.

Every pastor is inspired when he finds a large number of men of the church ready to help carry the load of winning the community for Christ and training a son of Mrs. Jamira and E. F. Lassiter. He was ill about two weeks.

Men are needed for Sunday School classes. Men are needed in the Training Union. Men are needed in the choir. Men are needed to set the example for growing boys. Every church needs men. Every man needs the church.

A cordial invitation is extended to every man, woman and child to attend this Layman's Day service.

Memorial Services  
For Joe L. Crook To  
Be Held Here Sunday

Memorial services for First Lieutenant Joseph L. Crook will be held at the Elba Methodist church on Sunday, October 10th, 1948. He is a son of Dr. and Mrs. W. R. Crook and was killed on Corregidor Island, Philippines, Feb. 17, 1945, when he dropped from a plane in a parachute. He was buried on Manila and his remains were shipped to the United States, being taken to Atlanta, Georgia several weeks ago. He was born in Elba February 25, 1919, and lived here all his life.

Bonneau-Jeter Funeral Home Ambulance will meet the body in Troy and it will be brought here for interment.

Lieutenant Crook is survived by his parents, three brothers, Gerald, Prude and John Revel Crook; and a sister, Mrs. A. W. Mails.

The funeral service will be conducted by Rev. Fred L. Davis and Minister J. C. Dixon. Members of Joe L. Crook Post, V.F.W. and Culver Post 42, the American Legion, will serve as pallbearers.

Mr. Crook will be accorded full military honors by the VFW and American Legion Posts. Bonneau-Jeter will have charge of the funeral arrangements.

Elba Band Plays For  
Game In Ozark

The Elba School Band played at the Enterprise-Ozark football game last Friday night as guests of the Ozark school. The band's music and the drill put on by the band and its major and majorettes made a large hit with the audience. Bandmaster Strain has developed a musical organization which ranks with the best of its kind in the state, and the school and community are proud of it.

Following the game, which was won by Enterprise 19 to 0, the band members were honored guests at a football dance. Director Strain and the members of the band were loud in their praise of Ozark's hospitality. It is announced that the band will be invited to Ozark at a later date, to a dance to hear the celebrated Dorsey orchestra.

Circuit Court Tries  
Two Civil Cases

The Coffee County Circuit Court, October term, convened Monday morning at 9:00 o'clock for a trial of jury civil cases with Judge C. C. Brannen presiding.

Only two cases were tried by jury, several other cases on the docket being continued.

The case of James H. Nevels vs. City of Elba, which was an appeal from the Elba City court, was tried by the jury and a verdict rendered for the defendant.

The case of Allen K. Wood vs. N. M. Adkison and J. F. Bowles was tried by jury and a mixed verdict was given, partly in favor of the claimant and partly for the defendants. The trial of the two cases consumed the greater parts of Monday and Tuesday.

D. H. Lassiter Dies  
In Brantley

David Herman Lassiter died October 6th at his home in Brantley at the ripe old age of 90 years, having been born in Coffee County March 8, 1858. He was a son of Mrs. Jamira and E. F. Lassiter. He was ill about two weeks.

Funeral services were held at the Pleasant Ridge cemetery, Brantley, Monday, October 6th, conducted by Elder Malone Morehead. Interment was in the Pleasant Ridge cemetery.

Survivors are: two sons, Raymond and Fred Davis; three sisters, Mrs. Cleo Taylor, Mrs. Pauline Bishop and Miss Lillian Davis.

Funeral services were held Sunday morning, September 17, at the Beta Club meeting for the purpose of electing officers. The following officers were elected:

President, Paul Kendrick; Vice President, Mary Lou Plant; Treasurer, Joan Thompson; Reporter, Christine Hardy.

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We wish to welcome one of our old members back home this year from Texas. She is Patricia Johnson. We have another member new to us but she is an old member of the Beta Club. We wish to welcome Delatha Raybon to our chapter of the club.

A party will be given for the new members of the club at an early date.

Christine Hardy, Reporter

College Education

J. F. Brunson, president of the Elba Exchange Bank is an ardent advocate of college education. He calls attention to an open letter to America's students written by Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, now president of Columbia University, published in the October issue of Readers Digest, in which he stresses the importance of a college education for every high school graduate who wishes to fit him or herself to make the most possible out of life. He calls attention to the fact that in these modern times a college education is more necessary than in past years in order to cope with modern conditions.

President Eisenhower's letter is a masterpiece of wise advice and Mrs. Brunson says he wishes every parent of a high school student would read and consider this gem of wisdom by a man who has had such world-wide experience and who is intensely interested in the welfare of our country's youth. He says our country's future is dependent on our youth and who is to develop the needed kind of leaders and citizens, we must have college trained men and plenty of them.

CEMETERY WORKING  
There will be a cemetery working at the Bethlehem cemetery Wednesday, October 20. Several miles south of Elba. Everybody is asked to come and help.

W. E. Farris, Sr.

Prominent Farmer  
Dies At New Hope

Bas G. Davis, highly esteemed farmer of New Hope community, died September 27 in a Tuscaloosa hospital following an illness of about two years. A heart attack was given as the immediate cause of his death.

He was 55 years old and a member of the Baptist church. He was born in Coffee County and had resided in the county practically all his life. He was a son of Penney and Joe Davis.

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4-H's Purchase  
Feeder Calves

The 4-H's of Coffee County purchased 31 feeder calves September 28th at Demopolis. They give a grand total of 58 calves in the county being fed by 4-H boys and girls.

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The calves averaged 455 lbs. in weight. They were purchased at 26.95 cents per pound, with the lowest paid being 24.00 and the highest 30.50.

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Singing At Baptist  
Church Postponed

The regular monthly afternoon singing at the Elba Baptist Church will not be held next Sunday. It has been postponed in favor of the Sunny South Singing Convention which will be held in Coffee Springs that day.

The Coffee County Singing Convention will be held in the High School auditorium at Elba on the third Sunday, Oct. 17th.

The Bureau Class is behind this movement and will make every effort to make this session of the Coffee County convention the best one in the history of the organization. Some of the best musical talent in the state will be there and the public is invited to hear them.

Dr. E. A. McGuffin, Chairman

PLATE SUPPER  
You are invited to attend a plate supper at Coston Hill Church of God Friday night Oct. 8th at 7:00 o'clock. The money will go for wiring the church.

Parker Appointed  
New Police Chief;  
Force Enlarged

New Councilmen  
Sworn In At  
Meeting Monday

At the regular monthly meeting of the Elba City council, held at the City Council chamber Monday night, the business of the old council was disposed of after which the new council took over.

Mayor-Elect L. P. Mullins presided at both sessions and clerk W. W. Ham acted as secretary. The newly elected councilmen, S. T. Morrow, C. E. Kendrick, J. J. Lindsey, W. H. Taylor and Dr. C. P. Hayes were sworn in and proceeded to appoint officers.

Change In Service  
Officers Hours

The office of the County Service Officer has begun a new schedule which was effective on October 1, 1948. Following is the new schedule and office hours.

Elba, Monday and Tuesday, 8:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.  
Enterprise, Wednesday, 9:00 A. M. to 4:00 P. M.  
Elba, Thursday and Friday, 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Saturday, Closed.  
The public is requested to keep this schedule in mind and remember that the Service Officer is very anxious to render the best service possible to everyone.

Coffee County Baptist  
Convention To Meet  
October 14th & 15th

Coffee County Baptists will meet in their fortieth annual convention on October 14 and 15. Representatives from the 36 Baptist churches and 7,000 members that make up the Coffee County Baptist Association will gather at Mt. Pleasant on the 14th and at Mt. Olive on the 15th.

Dr. R. R. Justice, pastor of the First Baptist church of Enterprise, and Moderator of the association, will preside. Many of the leading ministers and laymen and women of the Coffee County Association will appear on the program. Several Baptist leaders will speak to the assembly.

Program for October 14th at Mt. Pleasant will be as follows: 9:45 Devotional by Dr. E. A. McGuffin; 10:00, Business; 10:20, and the fine cooperation and interest taken in the project. The Elba Study Club is one of the sponsors of the library project. The letters are as follows:

Major Mullins and City Councilmen.

We, the members of the Elba Library Board, wish to thank you for the wonderful cooperation you have given us in making our new library possible. It is our belief that you have passed your line of duty, and without your influence personally, we would not have the beautiful library we have now.

Elba Public Library Board  
Mrs. J. O. English, Mrs. M. A. Owen, Mrs. Sam Rowe, Mrs. L. S. Rainer, Mrs. Hayward Taylor.

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Elba Study Club

V.F.W. HOLDS MEETING

The Marsh-Speigner V. F. W. Post held a regular meeting on Monday night with 21 members present.

Commander Bill Gunter presided. A movie of the University of Alabama-L.S.U. football game that was played last year was shown.

The V.F.W. post conducted military ritual at the funeral of William Ted Speigner which was held at Bethany church on Sunday, September 12, with the following members participating: Past post commander, Richard Hayes, Senior vice-commander, Leon McIntosh, Junior vice-commander J. A. Wilks, Jr., Officer of the day Ray Sawyer, Chaplain Charles McGlothen; Pallbearers James Sawyer, Edward Secepanski, Edwin Rudd, L. C. Horning, Rufus McKinney, Manuel Johnson, Felix Morrow and Herbert Cordle; Honorary pallbearer J. R. Stanford.

The New Brockton VFW post was named for Mr. Speigner and Charles Marsh. The body of Charles reached the states and funeral announcements will be made at a later date.

Elba Tigers Defeated  
7 - 0 By Foley Team;  
To Play Opp Here

The Elba Tigers were defeated 7 to 0 by the Foley eleven in Foley last Friday night.

Coach Jim Reynolds, in commenting on the game, said rain fell intermittently all during the game making the ball slippery and hard to handle. It was strictly a defensive game throughout, each team making only five first downs. Neither team threatened to score except for the one time when a Foley player got loose for a thirty yard run and set up their lone score, and when Ben Johnson blocked a Foley punt near midfield and Enzor picked it up and ran it to the 15 yard line. Elba fumbled two plays later, however, and Foley recovered to end the scoring threat.

Coach Reynolds said the boys played a fine defensive game and that they are showing spirit from that start to finish. He believes this will pay dividends before the season is over and the Elba team will win several games of the tough nine game schedule.

Elba faces Opp tonight (Thursday) and next Friday night they tangle with the Enterprise Wildcats in the local stadium.

Thanks From Library

At a meeting of the city council on Monday night, Mayor L. P. Mullins read two letters, one from the Elba Study Club and one from the Public Library Board, thanking the mayor and the city council for the new library.

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This show is sponsored by the Elba Lions Club. Proceeds derived from it will go for the Lions Sight Conservation Fund and other civic enterprises. We wish to express our appreciation to the merchants listed below for their generous support and cooperation in this project, and to the contestants for contributing their time and efforts.

## Elba Beauty Contest

at  
**Elba Theatre**  
OCTOBER 8th - 7:15 p. m.  
ADMISSION 60c

"Miss Elba", as selected in this contest Friday night, Oct. 8th, will represent Elba in the beauty pageant at the peanut festival in Dothan

List of Contestants		
MARAGEM WHITMAN	EVELYN SEGO	SARA LUNSFORD
LOUISE WHATLEY	SARA POOLE	MILLIE DISMUKES
JEAN TAYLOR	HELEN BRASWELL	MARY HOLLEY
MARY JO LOWERY	BETTY RUSHING	LAVERNE PERKINS
CHRISTINE MORROW	JOHNNIE JOHNSON	MARY LOU PLANT
MOZELLE ALLDAY	PATSYE BRUNSON	DORIS CARPENTER
NELLIE HOLLOWAY	WAYNE KING	JULIA JERNIGAN
MARY PADGETT	MARJORIE MURPHREE	TERESA RHODES
JOAN THOMASON	BETTY JANE SPURLIN	LOUISE DANFORD

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C. O. MILLER & SON	L & M MANUFACTURING CO.	ELBA DRUG COMPANY	WHITMAN DRUG COMPANY
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ELBA ICE CREAM COMPANY	Western Auto Associate Store	DORSEY TRAILERS	SAWYER CANDY CO.
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DUKE TATUM	FULLER RADIO SHOP	Cleaners WISE Clothiers	W. I. ENGLISH AND SON
COOK GROCERY AND MARKET	BONNEAU-JETER	Southern Benefit Insurance Co.	HAM & MARSH INSURANCE CO.
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ON THE SCREEN

# ALBUQUERQUE

FEATURING RANDOLPH SCOTT

## Social Activities

Mrs. Will Kendrick, Social Editor  
Phone 28

Nancy, Terry David, Mary Ollive and Samuel Fleetwood, children of Mr. and Mrs. Fleetwood, Carley of Montgomery were week-end guests of Judge and Mrs. J. A. Carley and Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Kendrick. Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick joined them Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gethel Pinkard and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Whitman, Jr. spent the week-end at Laguna Beach, Florida.

Mrs. Jake Bonneau, Jake, Bonneau, Mrs. Corinne English and daughter, Margaret, visited relatives in Greenville Sunday. Mrs. B. S. Franklin, who had been visiting in Greenville for some time returned to Elba with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Reeves of Dothan announced the marriage of their daughter, Carolyn, to William Kay Farris, Jr., of Montgomery and Elba. The wedding took place on August 20th at Blakely, Georgia.

Mr. K. G. Crook was presented by Mrs. Sam Young. Mr. Crook talked on "Current Trends of Education." After the program Mrs. Taylor assumed her place as president and made committee appointments.

Supl. Dixon announced the present enrollment and that of the same time last year. There was an increase in practically all grades and in average daily attendance for 48 over '47. Elementary Schools now have a total enrollment of 380 as compared with 354 a year ago. Junior High School now has 185 to 160 of last year and Senior High has 236 against 245 last year; the Elementary schools showed a gain of 25 and Junior High School a gain of nine. Average daily attendance shows proportionate gain. Those present were Miss Jessie Lee, Mrs. Dixie Deal, Mrs. Sibyl Taylor, Mrs. Eunice Dunaway, Mrs. Althea Prescott, Mr. Kermit Crook, Miss Zedie Rowe, Mrs. Mae Bryan, Mrs. Kate Ham, Mr. J. A. Reynolds, Mr. R. S. Jones, Miss Lillian Morris, Mrs. Beulah Young, Mrs. Lanelle Rowe, Mrs. Maggie Dean Boyd, Mrs. Jean R. Paul, Mrs. Catherine Spurlin, Mrs. Violet Rainer, Mrs. Flossie Harper, Mrs. Eric Crook, Mrs. Jimmie Lowery, Mrs. Agnes Ingram, Mrs. Mary Ruth Perdue, Mrs. Frances Perdue, Mrs. Jim Larkins and Mrs. J. W. Kendrick.

## Golden Harvest

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Over three million bottles of the Willard's Peppermint Cure have been sold for the relief of symptoms of distress arising from stomach and duodenal ulcers due to excess acid. Free trial! Tell us how you feel! Must help or it will cost you nothing. Ask for "Willard's Peppermint Cure" which fully explains this remedy—free—48.

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25 lb. bag — THE BEST FOR LESS — 10 lb. bag. 93c

Tomatoes, 2 No. 2 cans 29c Flat Sardines 2 cans 25c  
SUGAR 10 lbs 89c Lindy Peas, 2 no 303 cans 29c

Southern Style BAKERS COCONUT, 2 cans 39c  
Crystal Brand PURE GRAPE JAM lb. jar 17c  
PET or CARNATION MILK, Tall cans, each 15c

GROUND TO PLEASE  
Maxwell House Coffee lb. 49c  
Snowdrift, 3 lb can \$1.19  
Extra Fancy RICE Top-O-World, Water Maid 3 lb. 49c  
Sunkist TOMATO CATSUP, 14 oz. Bottle 19c

## Produce Market

BORDENS 5 oz. jar  
Cheese Cocktail Spread 19c  
AMERICAN, Paraffin wax covered  
Cheddar Cheese lb. 39c  
STREAK-O-LEAN  
White Meat, pound 39c  
Parkay Oleo, Uncolored 39c  
Colored, In sticks, lb 57c  
Fresh Fryers, Hens, Seafood

## JITNEY-JUNGLE

Self-Service Food Stores

## THE BIBLE SPEAKS

By Dr. KENNETH J. FOREMAN  
SCRIPTURE, Genesis 1:1-31  
DEVOTIONAL, Reading: Hebrews 11:1-18

## God's View of People

Lesson for October 10, 1948

"YOU can learn more about human nature from reading the Bible than from living in New York," said a Yale professor who had tried it both ways. He was right; for in New York you are likely to see your neighbors only on the outside, while in the Bible you are introduced to people on the inside.

One great value of the Bible is its plain stories about people, all sorts of people—simple, great, wise, foolish, saints and sinners. They lived thousands of miles away, and thousands of years ago. They dressed differently and many of them spoke in languages now dead. Yet somehow they live in these inspired stories.

SAINTS  
ONE of the great biographies of the Bible is that of Abraham. If you will read it in Genesis you will see it is not like one of our modern biographies; it does not follow a continuous line, but consists of short incidents strung together sometimes without connection.

It is more like an album of pictures than like a movie. Yet putting all the pictures together we get an impression of a remarkable man.

Indeed, Abraham was one of the most remarkable men who ever lived. Without a church, without a Bible, without prophet or priest or tradition, born in a nation and a family that "despised other gods," as Joshua and later, somehow Abraham came to know that there is but one God, and not only to know that as a fact but to know that God as a friend. (In fact, Abraham's name among the Arabs to this day is "The Friend.") We must call Abraham one of the great religious geniuses of all human history.

Yet he does not stand alone. The Bible is a book of saints; the letter to the Hebrews calls the roll of some, and ends by saying time is too short to name them all.

Now a saint is not a person who lives totally without sin. A saint is one in whose life goodness is stronger than evil. A saint is one who actually lives as a friend of God, far whom God is the central fact in his life.

SINNERS  
THESE are no whitewashed plaster saints, the great and small figures of the Bible stories. They come before us just as they were. Abraham, for example, at times was a coward, a liar, a bigamist, a slaveholder.

We must not suppose that everything any character in the Bible did was right, or is right today. The writers simply tell the stories, seldom using adjectives like "bad" or "good" or "noble" or "mean." We are left to make our own judgments.

We are shown what effects sin has on men, we see how evil spreads by suggestion and imitation. We see how temptation works. God inspired the biographers; but he does not inspire men to tell lies or to cover up evil by calling it good. So do not be shocked to find that even a saint like Abraham had feet of clay. The important things about him are the good, not the bad.

The Light That Shines  
FURTHERMORE, when you read these Bible biographies, you can trace a very interesting story through them all: namely the story of the human understanding of right and wrong.

But in Old Testament times, as in the case of Abraham, we must remember they were in the darkness before the sunlight of Christ had risen. Some of the things Abraham did would get him into jail nowadays; but some of those very acts were then the mark of a gentleman.

Sometimes when you are discouraged and think the world is growing worse, all you need to do is to think back to some of these old Bible stories. What the very best people did then, is now by Christians seen to be not always good.

The human race has progressed, and nowhere more than in its knowledge of what is right to do. And even so, a man like Abraham, as good and great as he was, shines with an even brighter light across the centuries, challenging us to rise above our times as he often rose above his own.

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## Dr. Joe Cutchen Opens Branch Office In May Building Here

Each Tuesday and Saturday Dr. Joe Cutchen, who holds the degrees as "Doctor of Naturopathy" and "Doctor of Chiropractic" will have his branch office which is located in room no. 1 of the May Building. Dr. Cutchen has been connected with the Ardilla Health Clinic of Dothan for the past year.

The trips that I have already made have brought me many new friends and I hope that I can be a friend to you and be of assistance to you with your health problems. There is no charge to come up to see me and I want you to feel assured that if in my opinion I feel that I can not help you, then I won't ask for your time and money. adv.

## CARD OF THANKS

To our many friends who were so thoughtful to us during the death of our loving husband and father we shall always be grateful. Your words and gestures of sympathy will always be remembered and fully appreciated. May God's richest blessings shower upon you is our prayer. Mrs. L. L. Wood and children

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DOTHAN, ALABAMA

Mr. Ben Brock, of Jackson, parents, Mr. and Mrs. John spent last week-end with his Brock.



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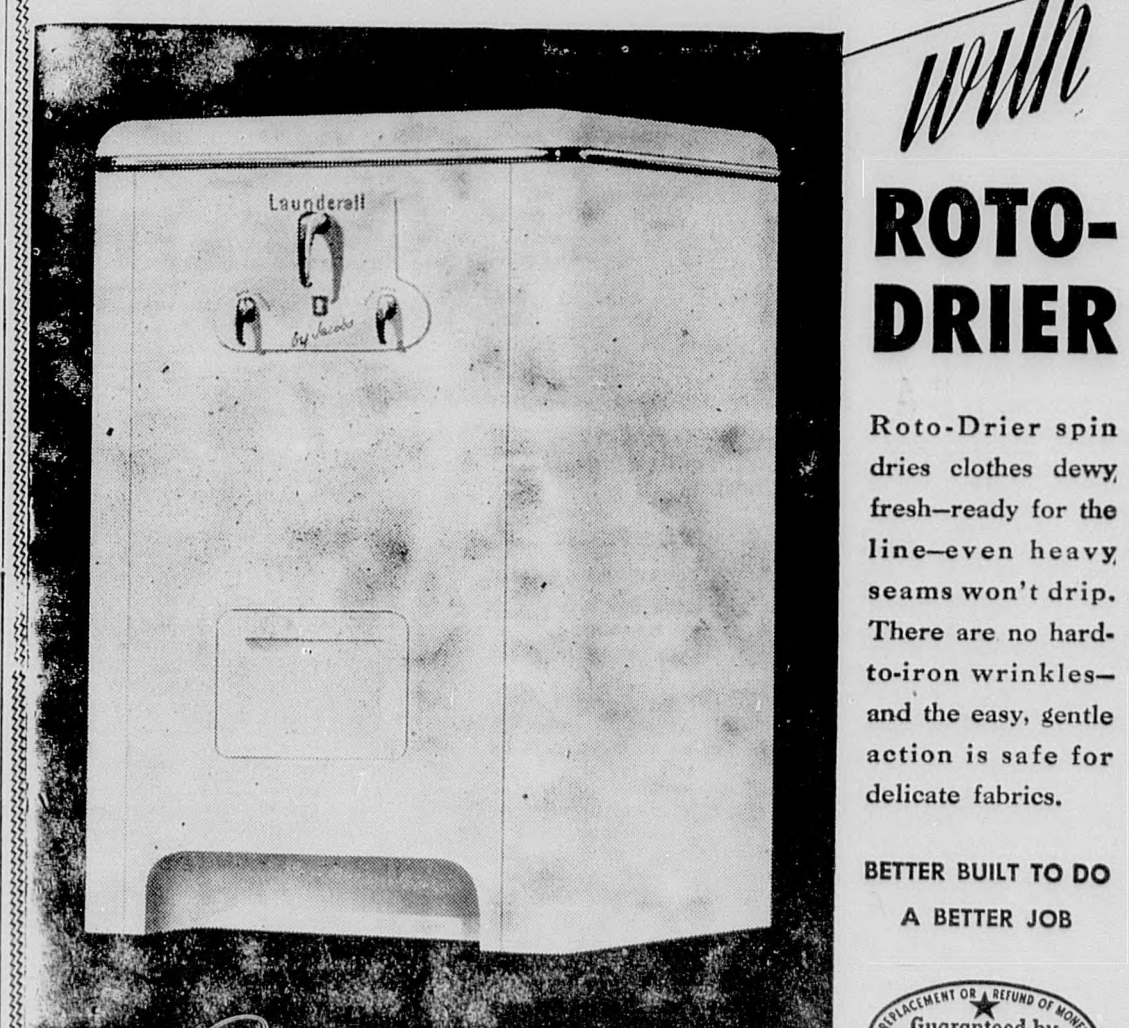
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